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Mr. William J. Casey
Office of the Director Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

Though I am a member of the Association of Former Intelligence Officers, my intelligence background is minimal, a brief stint as a technician maintaining computer files in Annapolis. I have been a minister for the Church of Christ for fifteen years, so I guess that makes this a letter from a private citizen.

I read this morning of your part in the release of Rev. Laurence Jenco, and I wanted to commend your efforts. I have come to understand more fully than most citizens the thankless service which is often rendered by our intelligence community, and the unfair criticism that that must be silently endured by those who serve as their public leaders. You are a very special and loyal man, Mr. Casey, and I am proud of you. The work you and your people have done to restructure and strengthen our "front line" may be thankless at the moment, but there are a growing number of citizens who are slowly being educated to the vital job you are doing. Keep up the

I remember you and our President in my prayers daily.

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